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HAMILTON ARMY AIRFIELD, RECORD OF DECISION/REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN

Dear Colonel Baker and Ms. Barsamian:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has signed the Hamilton Army Airfield, Main Airfield Parcel Record of Decision/Remedial Action Plan (ROD/RAP) dated August 2003 conditioned upon future resolution of differences between the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Biological Opinion and the ROD/RAP.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has agreed that resolution of these issues is largely dependent upon Remedial Design and Implementation Plan details. It is anticipated that this refinement process will take approximately four to six months. The final resolution may require an amendment to the ROD/RAP to revise cleanup levels or changes to other details of the remedy. By signing this ROD/RAP, DTSC is allowing the Remedy Design and Implementation Planning process to proceed with the understanding that U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Regional Water Quality Control Board, the Army and DTSC will resolve the differences between the Biological Opinion and the ROD/RAP.

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (916) 255-3732.

Sincerely,

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